

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Carsten SCHELP et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1655
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Application No.: 10/024,258)	Examiner: Deborah A. Davis
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Filed: December 21, 2001)	
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For: DETECTION METHODS)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REPLY AND SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Further to the Final Office Action dated August 25, 2006, the Response to Final Office Action filed December 22, 2006, the Advisory Action dated February 22, 2007, and the Notice of Appeal filed February 23, 2007, this submission is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fulfills the requirements of a "submission" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. This submission and the RCE are timely filed in view of the petition for a three month extension of time also filed concurrently herewith, extending the period for response to July 23, 2007. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks, in conjunction with the arguments presented in the prior response filed December 22, 2006.